

CURRENT VACANCIES as of
November 2013
For COMMISSIONER-APPOINTED
BOARDS, COMMITTEES & COMMISSIONS

The Charles County Commissioners are seeking County residents to fill vacancies on the following
Boards, Committees & Commissions:

- Adult Public Guardianship Review Board
- Area Council on Aging
- Disadvantaged Business Loan Review Committee
- Grants Advisory Panel
- Heritage Commission
- Historic Preservation Commission
- Homeowners' Association Dispute Review Board
- ***Newly Established Neighborhood Traffic Calming Task Force***
- Library Board of Trustees
- Nuisance Abatement Board
- Planning Commission
- Wicomico Scenic River Commission

Applications are available on the Charles County Government website at <http://www.charlescounty.org/apps/citizenadvisory/public/enterApplication.jsp> or by contacting Carol DeSoto, Commissioner Specialist at 301-645-0691 or e-mail desotoc@charlescounty.org. *A separate application must be submitted for each membership to which you wish to apply.*

POSITIONS REMAIN OPEN UNTIL FILLED

There are 3 vacancies on the 11-member **Adult Public Guardianship Review Board**. 1 vacancy for a physician member; 1 for a registered pharmacist; 1 for an attorney; The Board provides impartial oversight of the care and services provided for the individuals under public guardianship, reviews the current status of health and welfare of these persons, and makes recommendations as to whether guardianship should be continued as established, modified, or terminated. The Board meets twice a year and as needed for emergency situations. Members serve 4 year terms.

There are 4 vacancies on the 16-member **Area Council on Aging for** citizen members (2 from the senior community over the age of 60); Members serve 4-year terms. The Council promotes the welfare and betterment of senior citizens of Charles County by working actively and cooperatively within the community; develops awareness and understanding of problems and concerns; and develops community support for programs designed to benefit and support the senior citizen population. The Council meets monthly on the second Thursday at the Richard Clark Center at 9:30 am.

There is 1 vacancy on the **Disadvantaged Business Loan Review Committee** for a small business owner. This Committee serves as an advisory review body for the purpose of reviewing and approving loans to eligible businesses under the procedures of the Disadvantaged Loan Fund. The Committee meets only when applications are received on an as needed basis.

There are 2 vacancies on the 10-member **Grants Advisory Panel** for members of the business community and 4 vacancies for citizen members. The Panel reviews applications for the Grants Awarded by the Board of County Commissioners and makes recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners regarding the amount and type of funding to be awarded. Meetings are held weekday afternoons. Members serve 2-year terms.

There are 3 vacancies on the **Heritage Commission** for citizen members. The task of the Heritage Commission is to manage, procure, preserve and disseminate materials relating to the local history of Charles County. Members serve 4-year terms.

There is 1 vacancy on the **Historic Preservation Commission**. The Commission will review development plans for impacts to historic resources, recommend properties for local historic landmark designation, review exterior changes to locally designated landmarks, and support documentation of historic resources throughout Charles County. Applicants for this vacancy must possess professional training in any of the following areas: history, architectural history, archeology, historic preservation, landscape design, or related field. The Board meets monthly. Members will serve 3-year terms. The Commission meets in the evenings.

There is 1 vacancy on the seven-member **Homeowners' Association Dispute Review Board**, which meets as needed to hear and resolve disputes between a homeowners' association and a homeowner regarding the covenants or restrictions of the homeowners' association. The vacancies are for a citizen at large. The Board meets as needed in the evenings at the County Government Building. Members serve three year terms.

There is 1 vacancy on the **Library Board of Trustees**. This vacancy is for a citizen member. The task of the Board is to deal with all aspects of the library, including services, staff, rules and regulations and other functions for the proper delivery of library services. The Board meets monthly except July, August and December on the third Thursday of each month at 9:15 a.m. Members serve four year terms.

There is 1 vacancy on the **Newly Established Neighborhood Traffic Calming Task Force** for a member of a Resident in a Rural Neighborhood. This Task Force will assist the Department of Planning & Growth Management in developing a Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program in Charles County. The Task Force will research the subject as well as provide suggestions and feedback for use in drafting Neighborhood Traffic Calming regulations. Charge is complete when traffic calming regulations have been proposed and acted upon by the Board of County Commissioners.

There is one vacancy on the seven-member **Nuisance Abatement Board** for a citizen member. This Board conducts hearings pertaining to citizen complaints regarding unsightly accumulation of paper, junk, vehicle parts, trash, garbage, leaves, etc. and if grass, weeds, uncultivated vegetable growth, briars, bush and plants are more than 1 foot high on private property.

There is 1 vacancy on the 7-member **Planning Commission** for a 4-year term beginning 12/31/2013. The members are "citizen planners" as they are chosen from all walks of life. As such, formal planning experience or training is not required. The Planning Commission is involved in the drafting and implementation of the Comprehensive Plan, makes recommendations on re-zoning requests and is the approval authority for subdivision of property in the County. The Board members receive a stipend. Meetings are held twice monthly on Monday evenings at 6:30 pm

There are 2 vacancies on the 7 member **Wicomico Scenic River Commission** for a property owner in a soil conservation district through which the scenic or wild river flows and a Non-shoreline Property

Owner. The Commission represents the interests of the Wicomico Scenic River and its watershed in Charles and St. Mary's Counties in an advisory capacity for review of proposals and information and act as a watchdog for the watershed. Members serve 4-year terms. Meetings are held on the 4th Monday of the month at 7:00pm at Dentsville EMS.